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Market Dominant Product Prices
Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreements
with Foreign Postal Operators 1

Docket No. R2018-2

Canada Post Corporation - United States Postal Service
Bilateral Agreement (MC2010-35)
Negotiated Service Agreement

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued November 22, 2017)

To clarify the Postal Service's request to include the inbound portion of a bilateral agreement with Canada Post Corporation (Canada Post) within the Inbound Market Dominant Multi-Service Agreements with Foreign Postal Operators 1 product,¹ the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. The responses should be provided as soon as possible, but no later than November 28, 2017.

1. Please refer to Attachment 1 of the Agreement. Notice, Attachment 2 at 13. Attachment 1 of the Agreement provides rates for International Business Reply Service (IBRS). *Id.* at 17. Please identify the specific cells in Excel file "NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls" that reflect IBRS costs and revenues. If Excel file "NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls" does not account for these costs and revenues, please file revised workpapers that include these costs and revenues or provide an explanation for their exclusion.

¹ Notice of the United States Postal Service of Type 2 Rate Adjustment, and Notice of Filing Functionally Equivalent Agreement, November 17, 2017 (Notice). The Postal Service provided a redacted version of the agreement as Attachment 2 (Agreement).

2. Please refer to Attachment 1 of the Agreement. Notice, Attachment 2 at 13. Attachment 1 includes rates for certain inbound IPA ePacket Bags. *Id.* at 15. Please identify the specific cells in Excel file “NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls” that reflect the referenced product’s volume and weight. If Excel file “NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls” does not account for this volume and weight, please file revised workpapers that include these data or provide an explanation for their exclusion.
3. Please refer to Article 9 of the Agreement and Attachment 5 of the Agreement. Notice, Attachment 2 at 3, 32. Please identify the specific cells in Excel file “NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls” that reflect the referenced inbound transportation costs. If Excel file “NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls” does not account for these costs, please file revised workpapers that include these costs or provide an explanation for their exclusion.
4. Please refer to Attachment 4 of the Agreement. Notice, Attachment 2 at 31.
 - a. Please confirm that there are costs associated with the Postal Service’s receipt of Electronic Advance Data (EAD) from Canada Post for inbound mail and the transmission of EAD to U.S. Customs and Border Protection or other U.S. agencies.
 - b. If confirmed, please identify the specific cells in Excel file “NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls” that reflect these costs. If Excel file “NONPUBLIC Canada_Bilateral_MD.xls” does not account for these costs, please file revised workpapers that include these costs or provide an explanation for their exclusion.
 - c. If not confirmed, please explain why there are no costs associated with the receipt of EAD from Canada Post and transmission of EAD to other U.S. agencies.

5. Please refer to Article 28, paragraph (e) of the Agreement. Notice, Attachment 2 at 10. The Postal Service refers to Version 6.1 of an agreement titled “Agreement for the Electronic Exchange of Customs Data.” *Id.* Please confirm that, pursuant to 39 U.S.C. § 407(d)(2), the Postal Service provided the Commission with a copy of the referenced agreement before the agreement’s effective date. If not confirmed, please file a copy of the referenced agreement with the Commission.

By the Chairman.

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